

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **28 September 2007**, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-25. The specification is objected to. Claims 7-12 and 22-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Claims 1-6, 13-21 and 24-25 were allowed.

Objection to Specification and Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Examiner objected to the specification as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the computer-readable storage medium recited in claims 7-12, 22, and 23. Examiner also rejected claims 7-12, 22, and 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 101, arguing that the specification specifically mentioned examples of computer-readable storage mediums that include forms of signals, such as carrier waves, light pulses, etc. which do not fall under statutory subject matter.

Applicant has amended the specification to clarify that embodiments of the present invention are directed at statutory subject matter. More specifically, Applicant has amended paragraphs [0041] and [0127] to remove the description of “signals” as computer readable storage mediums. This amendment finds support in par. [0053] of the instant application (as “*a physical computer-readable media (such as a removable media or drive (for example, a floppy disk, a removable disk, a USB storage device (such as a flash memory pen or disk drive) or other tangible data carrier)*”). No new matter has been added.

Applicant therefore avers that the specification as amended provides proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter. Moreover, Applicant avers that claims are directed at statutory subject matter. Applicant therefore requests the withdrawal of the objection to the specification and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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